

My name is Larry Krayn ... I live at 10 Hill St, Newark, NJ. I'm an attorney who works for Essex County. Also a two time Rutgers-Newark Grad.

I saw an article which stated that you were requesting materials from Newark experiences during COVID - 19.

On April 9th, 2020....I coordinated an effort by local New Jersey residents to fund a massive lunch for Hospital workers at both University Hospital and Beth Israel Medical Center the day before Good Friday and in advance of the Easter Holiday. We were able to raise nearly \$1,000 from private citizens/small donors, and working with Mercato Tomato Pie and O'lala Empanadas (both on Market St. Downtown), and my dear friend Jeanelle Folkes, of East Orange.... we were able to provide: 50 pizzas, several hundred empanadas, and 300 homemade chocolate-chip cookies to the staff at both these hospitals for lunch.

Attached, are some photos that were taken of this effort, as well as some other photos I have taken during the pandemic. The first photo is of me carrying the Empanadas down market st., right in front of the Iconic Newark theatre sign....

others include us delivering the food, a photo from Franklin St. Behind city hall,, entitled "But Spring, Was not for Us" depicting a barred off spring scene, a desolate newark/NYC skyline, and a rainbow that appeared just after a storm in April, giving us hope.

My Birthday was April 16,, and I spent it alone in my apartment, looking over the Newark skyline...but with plenty of well-wishes and phone calls from friends.

In any event, I think what you are putting together is important and amazing! and Hopefully I was able to contribute something worthwhile to the project!

Stay healthy!!

God Bless!

-Larry

Beth Israel.jpg



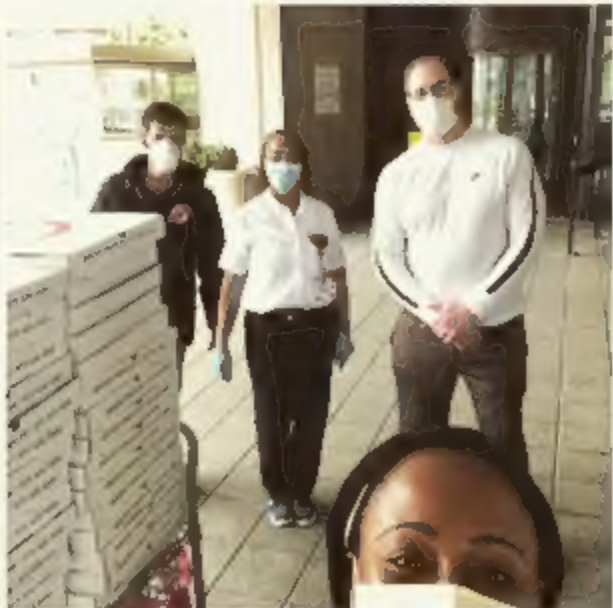
But Spring was not for us (Newark
City Hall).jpg



Delivering University.jpg



food and delivery.jpg



Larry carrying Empanadas.jpg



Rainbow After Storm april 2020 .jpg



University Staff.jpg

